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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A disk apparatus comprising:

a disk section of recording and/or reproducing at least one of video, audio and data,

a processing section of processing at least one of said video, audio and data,

disk start control means of controlling said disk section and said processing section, and

disk start mode setting means of setting either one of $\frac{1}{1}$ disk start disabling mode of disabling the start of said disk section and $\frac{1}{1}$ disk start enabling mode of enabling the start of said disk section, wherein

at the time when power ON operation is carried out, in the case (1) when said disk start mode setting means sets said disk start disabling mode, said disk start control means carries out control so as to start said processing section without starting said disk section, and in the case (2) when said disk start mode setting means sets said disk start enabling mode, said disk start control means carries out control so as to start said disk section and said processing section.

- 2. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 1, wherein said disk start mode setting means is set in said disk start disabling mode in a production shipment stage.
- 3. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 1, wherein said disk section is a hard disk of carrying out recording and/or reproduction on magnetic disk media.
- 4. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 3, wherein the safety zone of said hard disk is present on said magnetic disk media.

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5. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 1, wherein said processing section is a tuner of receiving broadcasting.

6. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 3, serving as a recorder equipped with a hard disk, wherein

said processing section is a tuner of receiving broadcasting.

7. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 3, serving as a DVD recorder equipped with a hard disk, wherein

said processing section is (1) a tuner of receiving broadcasting and (2) an optical disk section of recording and/or reproducing said broadcasting received on an optical disk.

8. (Original) A disk apparatus in accordance with claim 3, serving as a television set equipped with a hard disk, wherein

said processing section is (1) a tuner of receiving broadcasting and (2) a display section of displaying said broadcasting received.

9. (Original) A disk apparatus controlling method of controlling a disk apparatus comprising a disk section of recording and/or reproducing at least one of video, audio and data, a processing section of processing said video, audio and data, and disk start mode setting means of setting either one of the disk start disabling mode of disabling the start of said disk section and the disk start enabling mode of enabling the start of said disk section,

said disk apparatus controlling method comprising a control steps wherein at the time when power ON operation is carried out, in the case (1) when said disk start mode setting means sets said disk start disabling mode, control is carried out so as to start said processing section without starting said disk section, and in the case (2) when said disk start mode setting means sets said disk start enabling mode, control is carried out so as to start said disk section and said processing section.

10. (Original) A program of making a computer carry out said control steps of said disk apparatus controlling method in accordance with claim 9, wherein at the time when power ON operation is carried out, in the case (1) when said disk start mode setting

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means sets said disk start disabling mode, control is carried out so as to start said processing section without starting said disk section, and in the case (2) when said disk start mode setting means sets said disk start enabling mode, control is carried out so as to start said disk section and said processing section.

11. (Original) A recording medium holding said program in accordance with claim 10, said recording medium being processable by a computer.